

## **CTK E-News Contents-April 1, 2015**

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### **A Note From Pastor Andrew**

I know it's Holy Week and we need to take it "one day at a time," but I am reminded today of what one of the Church fathers said about the season of Easter. Ignatius of Loyola stated we should pray daily for "intense gladness." Now this isn't a prayer intended to legitimize a big party or to push through the sadness and tears filled with some false bravery, no what this prayer calls us to is that no matter what or where we are the fact still remains Christ is risen and this prayer is to seek the deep seated joy in this truth. Therefore if we are sick or healthy, happy or sad, broken or mended, whether we feel like scum or rejoice in ourselves, whatever comes our way cannot alter the fact that Jesus Christ is risen. Like I said, perhaps a bit early, but the truth never the less. Happy Holy Week and have a Joyful Easter.

Humbled,  
Pastor Andrew

### **Worship and Christian Education Opportunities**

#### **River of Hope Worship**

No River of Hope on Maundy Thursday, April 2. We will worship at First Presbyterian Church at 6:30 p.m.

The next River of Hope will be Thursday, April 9, 2015;  
we have a free meal at 5:45 p.m. with Worship following at 6:30 p.m.

#### **Sunday Worship Time**

CTK worship time is 9:00 a.m. on Sunday morning.

Fellowship time before worship at 8:15 am and following until 10:45am.

#### **Prayer Time**

Every Sunday during communion, Judy Weaver will be available for an optional time of prayer and healing in the back of the sanctuary.

#### **Sunday School**

Please sign up to teach our awesome kids!! We will have Sunday school during the first part of the worship service. During offering the kids will come into worship for the Children's message and stay for the remainder of the worship or go back into the nursery. We will still have a nursery attendant during worship. Sunday school is for all kids up to 6th grade. You don't have to have kids in Sunday school to teach!

#### **Lutheran 101**

We will resume class on April 13.

## **Announcements**

### **Easter Sunday**

On Easter Sunday April 5th, Christ the King Lutheran Church will be having Easter Breakfast at 8:00am. Worship service at 9:00am. All children will receive a free Easter Bag, and one lucky family will be given a \$50 gift card to Applebee's. Come Join in the Celebration of Easter meet some new people and make new friends. 148 Maple Grove Rd. 810-664-5584 [www.christthekinglapeer.org](http://www.christthekinglapeer.org)

### **Thrivent**

The Lapeer County Board of Directors has decided to organize a team for Relay for Life. We are asking all Lutheran Congregations in the area to participate. It is June 13 and 14 at the Eastern Michigan Fair Grounds in Imlay City. This money goes to the American Cancer Society. If you would like to honor someone who has passed from cancer or to celebrate a cancer survivor, please consider donating to the cause as a memorial to them. You are also encouraged to participate in the walk, even if you can only give us an hour or two. Watch for the sign-up sheet.

Thrivent will be randomly handing out carnations to mothers on the Saturday before Mother's Day. If you would like to give us an hour of your time to participate in this 'random act of kindness' let me know. Your help would be greatly appreciated.

All requests for funding for any project must be in submitted, approved and completed prior to June 1st. If you have a project or activity after that time please consider applying for Action Team funding.

Any questions please contact Marsha Schultz at 586-481-9596

### **Easter Bags for Kids**

This year we will be giving out Easter bags to all the kids. If you would like to make a special offering to help offset the costs it would be greatly appreciated.

### **Wojo Garden Center Shopping Days**

It's time to start thinking about gardening and flowers. Once again we will be doing the Wojo's fundraiser. You shop at any Wojo's on two specific days and Wojo's will donate 10% of all purchases for those two days. All you have to do is tell them you are shopping for "Christ the King Lapeer" when you check out. It is so easy!!!

Our shopping days are Thursday, May 21 and Saturday, June 6.

Wojo's has 3 locations-Davison, Ortonville and Lake Orion. Any questions please see Sue Halamka.

### **Electronic Giving**

Christ the King is pleased to continue an electronic option for making regular offerings. Contributions can be debited automatically from your checking or savings account. Our electronic giving program offers convenience for you and much-needed donation consistency for our congregation.

If you are currently giving on a weekly basis, you will no longer need to write out 52 checks a year or prepare 52 envelopes. And, when travel, illness or other circumstances prevent you from attending services, this program will allow your weekly offerings to continue on an uninterrupted basis.

An authorization form and a "Frequently Asked Questions" flyer are available from the church office.

### **CTK Food Pantry**

Thank you for the donations we have received. We are still accepting food donations for the CTK pantry; we are helping more families than ever. Please bring in non-perishable items

such as, cereal, oatmeal, canned fruits and vegetables, pasta, spaghetti sauce, macaroni and cheese, tuna fish, spaghetti o's, canned ravioli, soups, etc... Thank you. Most of the families we serve have young children. We serve, on average 2-3 families per week.

### **Foodbank of Eastern Michigan**

March to End Hunger, March 1-April 30, 2015. Please join in the March to End Hunger. For every dollar donated to CTK for the Food Bank of Eastern Michigan (FBEM), they will credit our account an additional 10%. The FBEM helps supply food for our food pantry at CTK. Questions please see Terri Forthoffer.

### **Holy SCRIP-tures**

SCRIP cards are still available to purchase!  
Please see Karin Anderson for more information.

### **Easter Breakfast**

Please join us for Easter breakfast on Sunday, April 5. Please sign up to bring a dish to pass. We will have Easter bags for all the kids!!

### **Church Council**

The next Church Council meeting is Sunday, April 19, 2015 at 11:00 a.m. We meet the third Sunday of every month. Anyone is welcome to attend.

### **Fellowship Opportunities**

Legally Blonde: The Musical presented by Lapeer High School. Tickets \$10  
April 16-18 7:00 p.m.

### **CTK Teams**

All our Team meetings are open to everyone. Please stop in and see what we are doing.

### **Marketing and Publicity Team**

Next meeting is April 2 at 7:15 p.m. We meet the first Thursday of every month.

### **Fellowship Team**

Next meeting is on April 12 at 8:30 a.m. We meet the second Sunday of every month

### **Outreach Team**

Next meeting is April 9 at 7:15 p.m. We meet the second Thursday of every month.

### **Worship Team**

The next Worship team meeting is on April 23, 2015 at 5:00 p.m. We meet the fourth Thursday of every month.

### **CTK Small Groups**

### **Bible Study**

Nora Murray will be opening her home for a Women's Bible Study at 1:00 p.m. on the 3rd Wednesday of each month. The next meeting is Wednesday, April 15. If you are interested please call Nora at 810-356-5049.

### **Sowing Threads of Fellowship**

Sowing Threads of Fellowship meets the first Tuesday of each month in people's homes. The next meeting time is Tuesday, April 7 at 7:00 p.m. at the home of Nora Murray.

### **Women's Group**

Women's group meets the second Tuesday of each month at 6:00 pm at CTK. We share a meal together, share stories and laughter. Come and join us!

The next meeting is April 14. Theme: Eggs!!

## **Schedule of Events**

### **Holy Week Schedule**

#### **Maundy Thursday-April 2**

6:30 p.m. at First Presbyterian

No River of Hope

7:30 pm Marketing and Publicity Team meeting

#### **Good Friday-April 3**

6:30 p.m. at Christ the King

#### **Easter Sunday-April 5**

8:00 am Easter Breakfast

9:00 am Worship

#### **Tuesday, April 7**

7:00 pm Sewing Threads of Fellowship\*

#### **Thursday, April 9**

5:45 pm Free Meal

6:30 pm Worship

7:15 pm Outreach Team meeting

#### **Sunday, April 12**

8:15 am Fellowship

8:30 am Fellowship Team meeting

9:00 am Worship

9:00 am Sunday School

10:00 am Fellowship

10:15 am Bible Study

### **Remembering in Prayers**

#### **For Extra Healing:**

Dean

John Kovalick (health, father of John Kovalick)

Scott Finchem (son of Dean and Pat Finchem)

Deb Howes (continued good health sister of Sue Halamka)

Gerald & Alvera Houck (health, parents of Paula Kovalick)

Katelyn Gilliam (health, granddaughter of Doug & Linda Gilliam)

Karen Scurich (cancer, cousin of Jeff Anderson)

Judy Dyer (cancer, aunt of Steve Mitchell)

Brenda June (cancer, co-worker of Robin Mitchell)

John Soloy (health, family of Connie Peterman)  
Brett Carr and family (friends of Terri Frankenstein)  
John Schietecatte (health, brother-in-law of Dean and Pat Finchem)  
Hope Venema (health, mother of Chris Venema)  
Karin Anderson (health)  
Marcy Howell (health)  
Tim Komisak (health, brother of John Komisak)  
Janet Kropp (health)  
Barbara Osoba (health, friend of Paula Carpenter)  
Lisa Ann Wright (cancer, friend of Kelly Greenwald)  
Harold Elliott (health, father of Cathy Davis)  
Lowery family (family of Cindy Goerke)  
Denise Kovacs (health, friend of Karin Anderson)  
Marilyn Mitchell (health, mother of Steve Mitchell)  
Ken Nelson (health)  
Judy Lara (step-mom of Gloria Lara)  
Michael Hartman (health, son-in-law of Bill and Dawn Larsen)  
Mike and Linda Hash (health and Mike recovering from surgery)  
Charlie Sanchez (health, father of Terri Forthoffer)  
Tracey Anderson (healing, sister of Jeff and Karin Anderson)  
Bob Bradford (health, friend of Gail Carlson)  
Marty and Sharon Stefani (health)  
Bob Ray (health, friend of Karin Anderson)  
Peggy Krummel (cancer, friend of Gail Carlson)  
Sarah (niece of Pastor Andrew and Katie Gookin)  
Riley Mickle (health)  
Gail Carlson (health)  
Barb Gottschalk (health, friend of the Halamka family)  
Riley Wieggersma (grandson of Ken and Terri Frankenstein)  
David (nephew of Dean and Pat Finchem)  
Linda Lawson (cancer, friend of Jeff Anderson)  
Wendolyn Trozzo (health, friend of the Gookin family)  
Dana Wilcox (cancer, friend of Sandi Ryan)  
Ed and Mandy Brown (health, friend of the Halamka family)  
Christine Johnson  
Nora Murray (recovering from shoulder surgery)  
Barbara Christie (health, mother of Kelly Greenwald)  
Josh Todd (health)  
Judy Weaver (health)  
Ruth Fullmer (health)  
Lynda Davis (cancer and in hospice, mother-in-law of Cathy Davis)  
Sarge Knight (cancer, biological father of Katie Gookin)  
Gary Herfert (recovering from surgery)  
Linda Sagady (recovering from surgery, sister of Sandi Ryan)  
Kathy Green (cancer, friend of Kaitlynn Tuckey)  
Mary Crispin (health, mother of Katie Gookin)  
Beverly Huffman (health, friend of Steve Halamka)  
Blair Umphrey (hospitalized, health, son of Sandi Ryan)  
Dennis Green (hopsitalized, friend of Gail Carlson)  
Cindy Goerke (recovering from surgery)  
All those without jobs and seeking employment  
Those Left Unnamed

**Military Personnel:**

Logan Sitze  
Mark Stefani  
Jeff Wesley  
Adam Stern  
Benjamin J. Smith  
Michelle Sitze  
Blake Mason  
Megan Belprez  
Mark Gottschalk  
Kenny Friedle  
Ryan Moss  
Jacob Labert  
Hunter Snow  
Caleb Taylor  
Nick Strong  
Josh Johnson

**Partners in Ministry:**

Beautiful Savior, Bloomfield Hills  
Calvary, Clarkston  
First English, Grosse Pointe Woods  
Holy Spirit, Grand Blanc  
Zion, Ann Arbor  
Abiding Presence, Rochester Hills